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SUBJECT: SADAT ON WEIZMAN/GAMASY MEETING

FOR THE AMBASSADOR FROM THE SECRETARY

1. I AM TALKING TO DINITZ TODAY AND WOULD LIKE YOU TO
SEE BEGIN BEFORE HIS DEPARTURE TO CONVEY THE FOLLOWING.

2. WE HAVE HAD A REPORT FROM SADAT FOLLOWING HIS MEETING
WITH WEIZMAN WHICH INDICATES, ON THE BASIS OF THAT MEETING,
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MUTUAL UNDERSTANDING ACHIEVED WITH BEGIN, ARE HIGH. HE
IS PINNING A GREAT DEAL ON HIS CONVICTION THAT HE AND
BEGIN SHARE SENSE OF HISTORIC MOMENT AND ON HIS ADMIRATION
FOR PM'S STATESMANSHIP AND DEDICATION TO PEACE.

3. WE HAVE REMINDED SADAT THAT THESE ARE DIFFICULT PROB-

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4. I BELIEVE IT IS IMPORTANT THAT I SHARE WITH THE PRIME MINISTER MY PERCEPTIONS OF THE APPROACH WHICH PRESIDENT SADAT IS TAKING TO THE CURRENT NEGOTIATIONS. HIS VIEW IS THAT HE HAS MADE THE PRINCIPAL CONCESSION THAT HAS BEEN ASKED OF HIM IN OFFERING TO MAKE A FULL PEACE AND DEMONSTRATING HIS READINESS TO DO SO. THEREFORE, HE FEELS THAT THE ISRAELI RESPONSE OUGHT TO BE OF THE SAME CHARACTER--THAT IS A REFLECTION OF A FUNDAMENTAL ISRAELI DECISION ON THE KEY ISSUES WHICH ARE OF CONCERN TO THE ARABS. HE IS PREPARED TO NEGOTIATE THE DETAILS OF SECURITY AND OF HOW THE RESOLUTION OF OTHER ISSUES WILL BE IMPLEMENTED, BUT HE DOES NOT SEE HIS COMING TALK WITH PRIME MINISTER BEGIN AS A NEGOTIATION OVER THE QUESTIONS OF
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6. FOR AMBASSADOR FROM SAUNDERS: SECRETARY IS NOW SCHEDULED TO SEE DINITZ AT 1700 EST FRIDAY. WE WILL TRY TO SEND YOU SOME WORD ON THAT MEETING, ALTHOUGH THE SECRETARY WILL BE ALONE, BECAUSE THE SECRETARY'S APPROACH WILL BE USEFUL FOR YOU TO HAVE IN THE BACK OF YOUR MIND IN CASE YOU HAVE NOT ALREADY SEEN BEGIN. YOU SHOULD NOT DELAY

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